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Re: New U.S. Patent Appln.
Our Ref: 028987.52962US

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

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entitled: **SIDE IMPACT PROTECTIVE APPARATUS FOR A MOTOR VEHICLE
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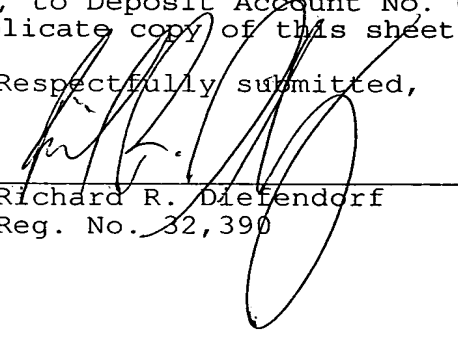
Enclosed are:

1. Specification, including 15 claims and Abstract of the Disclosure (15 pages).
2. 4 Sheets of Formal drawings showing Figs. 1-4.
3. Declaration and Power of Attorney (**executed**).
4. Certified copy of Priority Document 103 04 790.5 filed in Germany on February 6, 2003, the priority of which is being claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119 and 37 C.F.R. §1.55.
5. Information Disclosure Statement & Form PTO-1449 with 2 references.
6. Assignment of the invention to Dr. Ing. h.c.F. Porsche Aktiengesellschaft.
7. The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

Basic Fee					\$385/770 =	\$770.00
Total Claims	<u>15</u>	- 20 =	<u>0</u>	x	\$ 9/18 =	\$
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Multiple Dependent Claim Presented					\$140/280 =	\$
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Two checks in the amount of \$770.00 for the filing fee and \$40.00 for the assignment recording fee are enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket 028987.52962US). A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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